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One of Tayah's BFFs, Shai prepares to release balloons bearing wishes for Tayah.

Birthday Wishes to Heaven, for Tayah

MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

Little Tayah Fairbrother's long battle with Neuroblastoma – her courage, her spirit, her smile – touched hearts in her community. There were fundraisers to help the family through an unbelievably tough time, as they dealt with the pediatric cancer, and prayers and wishes for Tayah.

On December 17, 2013, at the age of 5, Tayah passed away.

Her family has been determined that Tayah won't be forgotten, that she will continue to be part of her community. In 2014, her family held the first Tayah's Birthday Wishes to Heaven – a day of family fun marking Tayah's birthday, with raffles, silent auction, a giant community garage sale and barbecue, raising money for other families struggling with pediatric cancer.

The third annual Tayah's Birthday Wishes to Heaven took place July 10, at the Canadian Tire Store parking lot in Bradford. From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., the community was invited to come out for a bouncy castle, fundraising barbecue, huge community garage sale, superberoes and Disney princesses, raffles and silent auction, fire trucks, a jousting ring, face-painting, and a balloon release, in memory of Tayah.

Elite Dance Corps – the dance school that Tayah attended – performed on the grass. DJ Wayne Jones provided the music, and brought Tayah's family to tears, when he played her song, Roar. And there was free birthday cake, served up by family members in celebration of Tayah's birthday.

This year's proceeds will be going to the families of three children, two of them from Bradford. Dominica (Nika) is only two and a half, but is battling Anaplastic Ependymoma, a brain tumour. Lukas, 5, has T-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. And little Boglarka (Bogie), a 3-year-old from Tottenham, has Stage 4 high-risk Neuroblastoma – like Tayah.

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Marine calls

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On July 9, two brothers from Richmond Hill, in their 40s, set out for a day on the water in their kayaks, but got separated when a rain storm rolled up at 4:30 p.m. One man made it back to shore, but lost sight of his brother and after a four-hour search, called police. Marine units from South Simcoe and York Regional Police began a search, joined by a helicopter from Durham Regional Police. The Joint Rescue Co-ordination Centre in Trenton was also involved. Just before midnight, the missing brother was found, after he swam to shore in Gilford. Police credit the PFD he was wearing with saving his life; the man was in good condition, and did not require medical attention. Police are reminding all boaters to carry all required safety equipment on board their vessels – and to wear a PFD or lifejacket.

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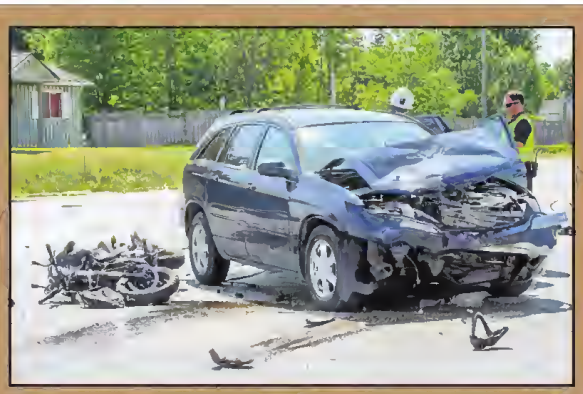
Fatal collision



PAUL NOVOSAD/PHOTO

South Simcoe Police are investigating a fatal collision at the intersection of Yonge St. and Shoreacres Drive/ County Rd. 89 in Innisfil, that left one young person dead and another in serious condition at a Toronto trauma centre. At 10:24 a.m. on July 12, a motorcycle carrying two riders was southbound on Yonge when it collided with a northbound Chrysler Pacifica in the intersection. The driver of the motorcycle, a 16-year-old Innisfil teen, was transported to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. His passenger, a 15-year-old Peterborough youth, suffered serious injuries. The driver of the Pacifica, an 85-year-old Alliston man, suffered minor injuries. Yonge St. and County Rd. 89 were closed for almost five hours, as police investigated. Anyone with information regarding the crash is asked to call Police at 705-436-2141 ext. 2030.

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Hail storm causes damage

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After weeks of drought, farmers finally got rain — but also high winds and damaging hail, as a severe thunderstorm swept through Bradford and the Holland Marsh on July 8, shortly after 7:30 p.m. Golfball-sized hail not only dented cars and damaged roofs — leading to thousands of insurance claims filed, as a result of the storm — it also shredded crops in the fields, including onions, lettuce and carrots in the marsh.

News Brief

Dunkerron School Reunion

Calling all SS#1 Dunkerron students, teachers, spouses, school board members and neighbours... Dunkerron's annual public school reunion will be taking place Wednesday, July 27 at the 1812 Grillhouse (County Rd. 27 and Line 3, Dunkerron), starting at 3:30 p.m. A buffet featuring smoked barbecue brisket, chicken, sides, tea or coffee will be served at 5:30 p.m., only $27 (incl. tax and gratuities).

The reunion will also feature karaoke, and an open mic – feel free to share a song, poem or most memorable moment about life at the old Dunkerron School. Especially wanted: tributes, memories and reflections on the Late Orville Hughes (1921-2016), who was both a student and later a Simcoe County school board member, and played important role in the operation of Dunkerron School.

Please bring any school pictures, articles, etc. to share. RSVP to Linda Baker at 905-939-8361 or crimsoncroft@hotmail.com or Janice Dobney at jmdobney@hotmail.com.

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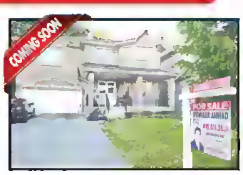

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Point of View

No time for complacency

Canadians are proud of the country's celebration of diversity and multiculturalism - what has become a culture of mutual respect, acceptance, and shared heritage.

But this is no time to be smug, or complacent. Canada's multicultural tapestry is and has always been a work in progress. There have always been dark undercurrents of intolerance, bigotry and racism – whether in the past, like the Komagata Maru incident of 1914, when the ship and 352 of its passengers of Punjabi descent were refused entry to Canada, or the present, when Muslim women wearing Hijab are attacked, or First Nations students in Thunder Bay feel threatened by racism.

We need to be vigilant. We can't ignore those actions that threaten to demean our citizens, old or new, simply because of their origin, race, or religion. We each need to address feelings of prejudice – whether we observe them in a public setting, or in ourselves.

Multiculturalism doesn't mean compromising Canadian values or laws; it means finding common ground.

It doesn't mean excluding some groups; it means finding ways to include all groups, and open a dialogue that will let us see each other as human beings – that will let us reach out, and share our celebrations, our joys, our sorrows, dreams and hopes.

Because at heart, we all want the same things: A safe place for our children. A place where we can have dignity and a decent life. Where we can be part of a community. Where we can make a difference. Where we can love and be loved.

We should not fear the stranger. We should welcome the stranger, as a friend and as part of the Canadian family.

Recognized for service

MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

There was a special presentation at the Canada Day celebration, in addition to the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Civic Awards. MPP Julia Munro, acting on behalf of the province, presented BWG Councillor Peter Dykie Jr. with the Long-Standing Service Award, normally presented to a member of council who has served 25 consecutive years. Dykie has served 31 consecutive years as a member of municipal council. "I can't believe how the years have gone by," said Dykie, accepting the award, expressing pride in his town and the changes that have taken place.

Letters to the Editor

VANDALISM IS THE PROBLEM

To the editor: After reading the Point of View in the June 30 edition of The Bradford Times, I'd like to start by saying that I agree with what was said; it's just that there is another issue that plagues the flower displays. It's called vandalism.

I live in the downtown area, and I love the fact that the town takes the time to put out baskets and planters every year. It makes the downtown area feel special.

The problems arises when these arrangements are damaged almost daily by vandals who think it's cool or fun to turn the planters over, or pull out the plants, leaving a trail of devastation in their tracks. There's been many an early morning when I'm out walking that I've actually picked up an over-turned planter – and more recently, replanted a centrepiece that had been ripped from the middle, and left several yards from its original spot.

I have recently come to enjoy gardening. It's both relaxing and rewarding to see the beauty that comes from all your work. Unfortunately, this isn't shared by everyone. This is the problem that plagues the downtown, not the planters themselves.

CATHERINE GILES
BRADFORD

OUT OF CONTOL

To the editor: So, our little town has now transformed into a much larger town and shows little sign of stopping.

It now resembles any cookie-cutter town you can find off any exit on the 400 Series highways. There appears to be no limit on how many humans you can pack into an acre of land. My 30-minute commute has now doubled to at least an hour, so I have the time to reflect on the changes to my community.

The dust constantly drifting from construction sites onto my vehicles and into my home acts as a constant reminder of this transition. There is no need for an alarm clock in the morning any more, as the hammering drowns out the birds and I am able to get up on time. I start my commute on Melbourne where I can sit at two recently installed red lights. There is nothing more invigorating than sitting solitarily at a red light with no other vehicles in sight; then I can pull up another 100 yards to the light in front of the police station and repeat the process.

There are other amusing aspects of this "nouveau town" – including the driving maze at the Home Depot Plaza, the Canal Rd. gauntlet, the Yonge St. gridlock in and out of town, and the endless 400 southbound wait off 88 in the mornings. All in all, this is a pretty fun place to drive now.

The original town expansion plan was sold to citizens as a positive. Sure, we'd have to endure a decade of inconvenience, but it would all pay off in the end. We'd have increased amenities and an industrial/commercial tax base which would result in stagnant or decreased taxes for Bradford's patient citizens.

I'm absolutely sure those tax reductions are in the works, and will soon appear, so at least I have that going for me.

ROBERT WAGSTAFF
BRADFORD

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Meetings & Announcements

Town Council

Members of the public are invited to attend all Council, Committee of the Whole and other Committee meetings. Meeting agendas and minutes are available at:
bradfordwestgwillimbury.civicweb.net

For further information or to request a deputation, please contact the Clerk's Division at 905-775-5366.

COUNCIL RECESS:
There will be no Council meetings in July. The next regular Council and Committee of the Whole meetings will take place on Aug. 2.

Board/Committee

Police Services Board
- Mon. Jul. 18 @ 7:00 p.m. – Innisfil Town Hall 2101 Innisfil Beach Road, Innisfil

Proclamations

- July 20 – Columbian Independence Day (flag raising July 23 @ 4:00 p.m. at 57 Holland St. E)

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NOTICE: Application of Larvicide for Mosquito Control

WHAT:
Each summer, mosquito larvicide pellets are dropped by hand into roadside catch basins to prevent mosquito larvae from developing into potential carriers of West Nile virus.

WHERE:
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WHEN:
The program requires three treatments a few weeks apart: round 1 – July 11-15, round 2 – August 1-5, round 3 – August 22-26.

HOW YOU MAY BE AFFECTED:
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CONTACT:
For general inquiries about West Nile virus, call Your Health Connection at 1-877-721-7520.
For inquiries about the Town's larvicide program, call Town of BWG Transportation Services at 905-775-5369.

Events & Activities

Bradford West Gwillimbury
music IN THE park

Thursday July 14

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Notice of Complete Applications

Pursuant to Section 34(10.7) of the
Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended

Take notice that the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury has received the following applications for Zoning By-law Amendment and Site Plan Approval:

Owners: **Margaret & Ladislav Dudo**
Agent: **Edward Gres**
Location: **210 Holland Street West**
File Nos.: **D14-16-05 and D11-16-04**

The owners are seeking to rezone the lands to permit the development of a 4-storey, 20-unit residential condominium apartment building with ground floor residential and commercial space. A key map showing the location of the lands is attached.

Detailed information regarding the applications may be made available for public inspection by contacting Leigh Ann Penner, Senior Planner, at (905) 778-2055, ext. 1405, or lpenner@townofbwg.com.

Prior to Council making a determination respecting the above-noted applications, there will be at least one Public Meeting to give the public an opportunity to make representation. The date of the Public Meeting has not yet been determined. Notice of the Public Meeting will be given at least 20 days before the meeting is held, by way of notice in this newspaper and in accordance with the provisions of the *Planning Act*.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at the Public Meeting or make written submissions to the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury before the proposed Zoning By-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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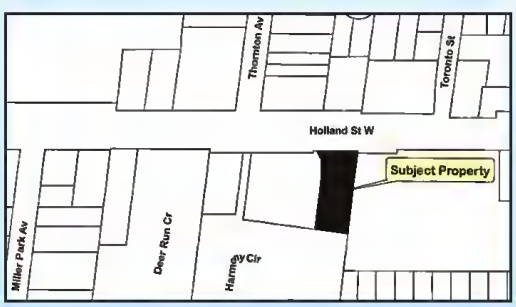
Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury this 14th day of July, 2016.

Rebecca Murphy, Clerk



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Location: **240 Holland Street West**
File Nos.: **D14-16-06 and D11-16-05**

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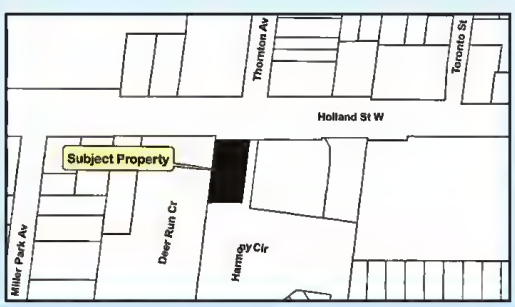

SECOND AMENDED

NOTICE of Special Meeting of Council
Official Plan Review Project Launch

Pursuant to Subsection 26(4) of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. P.13, as amended

WE NEED YOUR INPUT

You are invited to attend a Special Meeting of Council to provide input as the Town launches its Official Plan Review. While there have been a number of amendments and studies completed in recent years, this is the first time the Town will be reviewing all policies since the last review and update was completed in 2002. Details of the date, time and location of this Special Meeting of Council are provided below::

DATE AND TIME: ~~**Tuesday, August 2, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.**~~
~~**Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.**~~
Tuesday, September 6, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

LOCATION: **Zima Room**
BWG Library & Cultural Centre
(425 Holland St. W)

Under the Planning Act, all municipalities in Ontario are required to have an Official Plan. An Official Plan is a policy document that articulates the goals and objectives needed to manage the physical changes of land uses in a community. Its policies are intended to reflect the desired social and economic outcomes of a community, and their linkage with the natural environment. It is the basis for all land use planning decisions in the Town.

Since the last review and update to the Town's Official Plan there have been a number of changes in Provincial and County land use planning policies. Therefore, the Town's Official Plan needs to be updated to recognize these changes, and to ensure its policies reflect the current and future needs and goals of the community. The review is planned to be conducted in two phases, as below, and the above meeting is the first of many opportunities for the public to contribute to the Official Plan Review.

Phase 1 - *Anticipated for completion in Fall of 2016, includes the following items:*

- Employment Lands
- Downtown Revitalization
- Growth Projections and Housing Mix
- Seniors Housing

Phase 2 - *Anticipated for completion by the end of 2017, includes the balance of policies, such as:*

- Residential Lands
- Commercial Lands
- Community Uses
- Infrastructure

Any person may attend this Special Meeting to make written or verbal representation in regards to what revisions may be required. Written submissions must be addressed to Council and directed to the Director of Corporate Services / Municipal Clerk, as below.

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Email: admin@townofbwg.com

The personal information accompanying your submission is being collected under the authority of the *Planning Act*, and may form part of the record which may be released to the public. If you have any accessibility needs, please advise the Director of Corporate Services / Municipal Clerk, as above, at least one week before the meeting.

Information and updates are available on the Town's Official Plan Review webpage at www.townofbwg.com/PlanBWG.
For further information or to be added to the project mailing list, please contact one or both of the following:

- Ryan Windle, Manager of Community Planning, 905-778-2055 x 1401, or via email at rwindle@townofbwg.com
- Alan Wiebe, Senior Planner, 905-778-2055 x 1403, or via email at awiebe@townofbwg.com

Dated at the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury on July 14, 2016.

Rebecca Murphy, Director of Corporate Services / Municipal Clerk

BWG Leisure Centre: **471 West Park Ave.** | Phone: **905-775-7529**

Public meeting for townhome proposal

MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

A public meeting under the Planning Act was held June 7 to hear the Zoning By-law Amendment application by BMA Developments for two blocks of land within the Brookfield Phase 5/BMA Phase 2 plans of subdivision.

The blocks are designated Low Density Residential (a designation that permits detached, semi-detached and street townhome construction) but are currently "frozen" as "Future Development" in the Comprehensive Zoning By-law. Before construction can begin, they must be rezoned, to R2.

At the public meeting, plans were presented for a total of 28 townhomes – two blocks of townhomes totalling 10 units fronting on Angela St., and 3 blocks of 6 townhomes each on Webb St. The vacant area between the two Townhome developments will be developed as parkland, by December 2017.

BMA also asked for an exception, that would allow some of the lots to be as small as 160 sq. m. - less than the Zoning By-law requirement of 170 sq. m. All of the Townhomes would be 6 metres wide, more than the minimum.

A number of written comments were received from area residents, concerned over potential increases in traffic volume, and arguing that Townhomes are not compatible with the adjacent existing single family detached residences.

Celeste Phillips, speaker for the developer, noted that the Townhomes represented "a marginal increase in the number of residences, and therefore a marginal increase in the number of cars."

Councillor Peter Ferragine wanted to know if the homeowners who purchased single detached homes on the 2 streets were aware of the development planned for the lands across the road. He was told that two builders were involved; both advised buyers that the lands were zoned "future development" and would be developed; one (Brookfield) showed the property as "medium density."

On-street parking was another concern. Although BMA Developments Inc. submitted a plan, showing an abundance of on-street parking within the area, Councillor Marc Contois noted, "In winter, there's no on-street parking." He asked if there would be an opportunity to use some of the park allocation for an "off-street parking parkette," to alleviate the on-street demand.

Planner Alan Wiebe suggested the Manager of Parks & Facilities could "explore the feasibility of that." The comments were noted, and referred to staff for review and recommendation to Council, at a later date.

MP's Canada Day breakfast

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MP for York Simcoe Peter Van Loan holds a "Dominion Day" Pancake Breakfast for his constituents every Canada Day. This year's event, taking place at the East Gwillimbury Sports Complex on the Mount Albert Road, attracted a record 1,000 people, for a free breakfast of pancakes, back bacon, watermelon, tea, coffee or juice – each stack of pancakes topped with a tiny Canadian flag by the MP. Connor, 5, enjoyed the Pancake Breakfast served up by MP Peter Van Loan and his volunteers in Sharon.

News Briefs

Lunch at the Danube Centre

The Danube Seniors Leisure Centre, 715 Simcoe Rd., is open during the summer, although many programs and activities are on summer break. For information, call 905-775-0612. Coming up: Birthday luncheon **for members only**, on Thursday, July 21, only $8. Doors open at 11 a.m. Remember: Simcoe Rd. may be closed for construction; a detour may be necessary.

BBT Appreciation Barbecue

The Bradford Board of Trade annual Appreciation Barbecue takes place on Friday, July 15 under the Millennium Clock Tower at 61 Holland St. East in Bradford, from noon to 2 p.m. Drop by for free burgers, music, treats and smoothies, and a chance to chat with local businesses and BBT members. Sponsored by St. Louis Bar & Grill, Smoochies Cakery and Mr. Sub/Countrystyle. All welcome.

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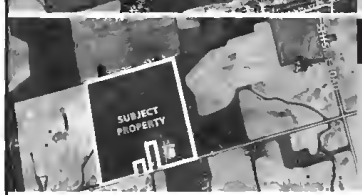

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Spiderman demonstrates his webcasting skills to Bentley, 4.

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Tayah's grandfather serves up free birthday cake in memory of a little girl who touched so many lives.

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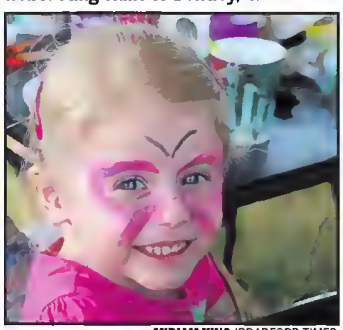
Looking for treasures at the Giant Community Yard Sale.



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Beautiful butterfly Julia, almost 4, had her face painted for a donation.

Birthday Wishes to Heaven, for Tayah

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By the end of the day, the event raised just shy of $16,000, after expenses - and despite the theft of $450 in cash, money set aside to pay for the bouncy castle.

The theft was "disappointing," said Candice Fairbrother, Tayah's mom, "but there were so many good people... How beautiful it was, how many people came out! It brought tears to my eyes. It was just wonderful!"

Over 90 local businesses and individuals donated prizes for the raffle, and items for the Silent Auction table.

"We just want to thank everybody. It was just awesome!"

Fia's Hair Braids fundraiser

Everyone's seen them: incredible braids that go 'way beyond simple styling to become works of art, weaving long hair into hearts, butterflies or elegant designs.

On Saturday, July 23, experienced hair braider Fareeha Chaudhry will be hosting a fundraiser at Wishing Well Sanctuary, 2710 Line 10 BWG. From 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., she will create Opened Hair Braids for $5, Braids for $10, and stunning Braided Updos for $20, with all proceeds going to Ronald McDonald House in Toronto and Wishing Well Sanctuary in Bradford.

Ronald McDonald House provides a home away from home for families accompanying seriously ill children who are receiving treatment at a Toronto hospital.

Wishing Well Sanctuary provides a safe haven and home for domestic animals, rescued from abuse or the slaughterhouse.

For more information, or to make an appointment for the July 23 fundraiser, contact Fareeha at *Fiyahiya@gmail.com* or 1-647-857-3451.

Fareeha Chaudhry has been learning the artform for the past three years. She works from home – creating incredible braids for parties, weddings and special events, by appointment.

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MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

When Tara Andrews graduated from high school, she initially went to Ryerson University for Biomed studies, but left the program. "It wasn't what I enjoyed," she says.

What she really enjoyed was swimming. Tara's parents enrolled her in swimming lessons at Corrie's Swim Club, just outside of Schomberg, when she was only 2. Their prime concern was safety; they wanted to ensure that their daughter could swim, and be safe around the water.

Tara earned her instructor's badge at the age of only 15, and her lifeguarding certification at the age of 16 – but never thought of her skill in the pool as a possible career.

"I did not want to be a lifeguard or a swimming instructor for a long time," she says - right up until she volunteered as a Red Cross Instructor in Aurora, working with Special Needs kids. Every Friday, she'd work with Special Olympians, teaching developmentally-challenged swimmers what they needed to know, to be proficient in the pool.

"It's what pushed me to want to be a great instructor," Andrews says, and helped her discover, "My passion is teaching!"

At the age of 17, she had a full-time summer job with the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, at the outdoor Lions Pool. "That was my first encounter with an outdoor pool," she says, working with "amazing" students and staff. "We lived in our bathing suits."

Tara has continued to work for the town, currently at the indoor aquatics centre at the BWG Leisure Centre, but her turning point came when she enrolled in the two-year Business Entrepreneurship Course at Georgian College. That's when it all crystallized, and she came up with the concept for her new "home business."

She developed the business plan for Beyond Buoyancy Aquatics, her own backyard swim school that will draw on her years of experience and skill as an instructor, to offer swimming lessons and First Aid training for all ages.

She was one of only a handful of students in her class at Georgian who brought their Business Plans to fruition. In fact, Andrews' drive and dedication earned her the Dale George Premier Award, presented to an outstanding student in the Business Entrepreneurship Program.

"You never realize how much your hard work and dedication mean, until you get a reward like this," she says. "It's pretty great!"

Andrews has the full support of her parents, who had Aquatech Pools install a 20' by 40' pool in their backyard this spring. On June 20, at the age of just 22, Tara Andrews opened Beyond Buoyancy Aquatics, providing swimming lessons to "everybody who wants to be competent in the water," from kids, to adults who never learned how to swim, and especially "Special Needs" swimmers.

Beyond Buoyancy is about "more than just swimming lessons. It's a life skill. It gives kids confidence," Andrews says, adding that her goal is to see her students accomplish *their* goals.

Right now, Beyond Buoyancy is a seasonal business, and Tara is the sole instructor - but looking ahead, she hopes to expand the school, eventually hiring others who share her goals and views, and offering year-round classes in an enclosed facility.

And Andrews continues to work at the leisure centre. "I love it. The people are great... but at some point of my life, I hope that I can be running this full-time."

Lessons are booked for July, but there are a few openings in August. For more information call 416-500-6013 or email *taranandrews@hotmail.com* or visit the website, *bbaquatics.ca*.

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Tara Andrews with new pool, which will be the new home of Beyond Buoyancy Aquatics.

Carnival at BDHS

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High School students play human foosball, at the Bradford District High School carnival, to celebrate the end of school.

Every year, Bradford District High School celebrates the end of another year of study, exams and final term papers, with a School Carnival and BBQ. Party Tyme Treats & Amusements provided the Inflatable castles and games - this year, including human foosball and the new Zorb Bumper Balls - and the students got into the end-of-school spirit.

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Be the ball... New kind of ball game, played with Bumper Balls, at Bradford District High School's end of year carnival. Miriam King/Bradford Times

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BWG Mayor Rob Keffer prepares to cut the ribbon opening Crazy Crocs, joined by Deputy Mayor James Leduc, Councillors Gary Baynes, Ron Orr and Peter Ferragine, MPP Julia Munro, MP Peter Van Loan, restaurant owner Gianni Giannantonio and family.

Crazy Crocs offers entertainment, great food

MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

Let's be clear: Crazy Crocs is not a shoe store.

It's a family-friendly restaurant and entertainment centre, that offers great finger foods, pizza, and kid-tested snacks, but also an adult-friendly hot table, espresso and cappuccino, as well as games and activities for all ages, from pinball to Wheel of Fortune.

It's hilarious, lively, the perfect place for parties and get-togethers – and it's the brainchild of owners Gianni Giannantonio and his wife Debra Bridgelal.

Giannantonio also owns a café in Toronto, "but not like this," he says. "I do amusement games for a living, and I'm a chef by trade." Crazy Crocs allows him to combine his two interests, to create a unique venue.

The official opening of Crazy Crocs, located at 126 Bridge St. in Bradford, was held July 2 – with family members and friends crowding the restaurant, to celebrate with the owners.

"The choice of food, I think, in itself is going to be an attraction," said MPP for York-Simcoe Julia Munro. "It sets a new standard, not only for a place to eat but for entertainment... Such a wide group of people that will be attracted here!"

MP Peter Van Loan also attended, congratulating the owners on the "much anticipated opening... We've been watching this spot," waiting for the doors to open.

Mayor Rob Keffer and members of council, and Nancy Taylor of the Bradford Board of Trade welcomed the new business to town. "It looks like a good place to eat, a fun place to play," said Councillor Gary Baynes.

Crazy Crocs, 126 Bridge St., is open to 11 p.m. during the week, 24 hours on Friday-Saturday. For more information, call 905-775-8510.

Festival of St. John

On June 25, the Portuguese Cultural Centre, at 767 Simcoe Rd., hosted Festas do Sao Joao – the Festival of St. John – starting at 1 p.m. with a soccer tournament, games for children and adults, live entertainment by the TLG Inc. (The Latin Group) and the band Mexe-Mexe. The centre served up family-sized platters of barbecue chicken, sardines, bifana and hot dogs, and invited everyone to come inside to watch the Euro Cup match between Croatia and Portugal. Portugal won 1-0.

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Aldina Lapa gets into the spirit of both the Festas do Sao Joao, and the Euro Cup, at the Portuguese Cultural Centre in Bradford.

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Bouncy castle for the kids, at the Festival of St. John.

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Showcase finds a new home

MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

There's no denying that outdoor festivals are vulnerable. They are at the mercy of the weather; if it's too hot, too cold, too windy, and worst of all, if it rains, a festival can face disaster.

Last year's Caribbean and South Asian Showcase (CASAS), held at Newmarket's outdoor Riverwalk Commons, was rained out – which is why the Ranji Singh Foundation decided on a change in venue, for the fifth annual multicultural celebration. This year's showcase was held indoors, with the exception of a bouncy castle and food trucks, at the Magna Centre on Mulock Drive, July 9 and 10.

There were other changes, beyond the shift from an outdoor to an indoor festival. While Saturday focused on the music and dance of the Caribbean and South Asia – from the Pan Fantasy Steelband, to Ballet Creole and Banghra — Sunday's event was a "medley" of cultures. Performers included Russian, Chinese, Venezuelan, Italian and Portuguese groups and musicians, providing a celebration of food, culture and music, that invited visitors to get up and dance.

The Ranji Singh Foundation recently received Ontario Trillium Foundation grants, in support of both the CASAS event, and a community day of cricket, held June 26 in East Gwillimbury. The grants will also support the Foundation's "Cricket in Schools" program, introducing the sport to Canadian students.

"CASAS provides a powerful platform to nurture and acknowledge communities from around the glove," Ranji Singh has said. "It's an opportunity to learn about and celebrate our rich ethnic diversity, as well as share in the opportunity for arts and cultural development."

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Wendy Jones of Pan Fantasy Steelband encourages audience members, from left, Anna Mueller, Berl Thompson and Agnes Reddick to "jump up" at the Caribbean and South Asian Showcase.

A summer of festivals

Hola Latin Festival

Bradford's inaugural Hola Latin Festival, organized by The Latin Group (TLG) Inc., is coming to the Portuguese Cultural Centre at 767 Simcoe Road on Saturday, July 16 – an evening of Latin fun, flavour and music! Heat up your summer with Salsa instructor Flavio, entertainer Gustavo Salinas and dancers, and the music of Pablo Terry and Sol de Cuba. Doors open at 6 p.m., festivities begin at 7 p.m. Only $20 per ticket, available from 905-252-5099, 416-457-4781 or admin@tlginc.ca - or at 3 Scoops Ice Cream, Bradford Jewellery & Gems, and Viva Mexico in Bradford. Cash bar and food, including tapas - from restaurants that include Gourmet Gringos, and Mamma's Colombian Bakery. Great Door Prizes including a $1500 voucher towards a Caribbean getaway from Verona Travel. A portion of the proceeds will go to El Sembrador ministry for Guest Agricultural Workers in BWG.

Bradford Ribfest

2016 Bradford Ribfest, organized by the BWG Events Group and a fundraiser for President's Choice Children's Charity, will be taking place in front of Zehrs Market at 500 Holland St. West, July 22-24. Five fabulous ribbers with mouth-watering ribs, chicken and pulled pork - including new addition, The Big Kahuna, from Ontario. Children's Playzone and Midway, Marketplace, and live entertainment that includes Marshall Dane on Friday Night, U2 Elevation on Saturday, and a Johnny Cash Tribute on Sunday. See Bradford Ribfest on Facebook, or bwgeventsgroup.org Friday from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Georgian Bay Steam Show

The Georgian Bay Steam Show returns to Cookstown on the August Civic Weekend, July 29-31 and August 1. The 51st annual Show and Family Farm Demonstration will feature Massey Harris Ferguson tractors, machinery and memorabilia. Includes displays, demonstrations of threshing and horse-drawn plowing, sheep-shearing, blacksmithing, Steam Engines and models, Members' Tractor Pulls, and on Sunday, July 31, starting at 6 p.m. the OTTPA (Ontario Truck and Tractor Pullers Association) Modified Truck and Tractor Pull, featuring Vintage, Modified Farm Tractors, Stock, Modified, Pro Street Diesel 4x4 trucks, and Hot Stock 4 x 4 trucks. Parking is free. Admission is $8 on Friday and Monday, $10 on Saturday and Sunday, free for accompanied children under 12. No dogs or bicycles, please. For more information, see www.steamshow.ca

Kempenfest 2016

Barrie's waterfront festival of Arts and Crafts returns, July 29-Aug. 1 on Kempenfelt Bay. Over 300 arts and crafts vendors in this juried show, featuring pottery, ceramics, clothing and accessories, Jewellery, fine art, glass, metal, photography, sculpture, hand-made soaps and candles, wood-working and more. The Barrie Optimist Club Antique & Collectible Show returns, with 40 exhibitors – and there will be plenty of food, fun, a beer tent, and live music, most of it free. Cover charge of $10 after 5 p.m., to hear Coconut Navy, Paper Bird, and Lighthouse (yes- the iconic band!) on Friday evening after 5 p.m.; The Dock House Band, Memphis Mudd and Five Man Electrical Band on Saturday evening; and The Bare Back Riders, North of Nashville Star Search Winner, and Cold Creek Country on Sunday evening. Arts & crafts exhibits are open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 30-Aug. 1

Heritage Music Festival

Once known as Shelburne's Fiddle Fest, the Heritage Music Festival hosted by the Rotary Club of Shelburne, will be taking place August 3 to 7 at the Dufferin Recreation Complex. Line-up includes Next Generation Leahy on Stage at 7 p.m. on Aug. 4; the 66th Canadian Open Fiddle Championship Playdowns on Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, August 5 – with Juno Award winner Jim Cuddy on stage on Friday evening; and the Fiddle Championship Finale on Saturday. For information see HeritageMusicFestival.com

SCPA 104th Annual Plowing Match

The Simcoe County Plowmen's Association 104th annual Plowing Match and Antique display will take place Saturday, August 20 at the farm of Brian & Jenn Fieldhouse and Family, 3399 County Rd. 27 in Bradford West Gwillimbury (just north of Line 8). Includes a Horseshoe Tournament, Antique plowing, horse plowing, conventional and reversible plowing matches. For more information contact Barry DeGeer, 705-734-5193.

Colombian Independence Day flag-raising

The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, in recognition of multi-culturalism and the spirit of diversity, has proclaimed July 20 as Colombian Independence Day in the town. On July 20, 1810, popular protests in the streets of Bogota against Spanish rule led to the eventual independence of Colombia. The Republic of Colombia was formed in 1819, when its independence from Spain was formally recognized.

Colombians are the second-largest Hispanic immigrant group in Canada, and Colombian Independence Day is an opportunity for Canadians of Colombian descent to share and celebrate their rich culture, and be recognized for their contributions to Canada.

There will be a flag-raising at the courthouse, 57 Holland St. East in Bradford, on Saturday, July 23 at 4 p.m.

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Summer Sundays at the museum

The Simcoe County Museum is bringing back Summer Sundays – special activities at the museum, located at 1151 Hwy. 26 north of Barrie, that take place every Sunday afternoon, from 1 to 4:30 p.m. No registration is required. Regular admission rates apply. For more information see museum.simcoe.ca

• July 17 and Aug. 14 – ***Gargantuan Games Day***. Giant versions of Ker-Plunk, Tic-Tac-Toe and Pick-up Sticks, and more.

• July 24 – ***Early Settler Trades Day***. Make Ropes, Brooms, and watch blacksmithing demonstrations.

• July 31 – ***Summer Sundaes***. Experience the toys and fads of the '50s, and create your own sundae, complete with whipped cream and cherry on top.

• August 7 – ***Under Construction.*** Historical construction equipment will rumble into action.

• August 21 – ***Jam Session.*** Learn how to make your own jam, to take home.

BUC Vacation Bible School

Bradford United Church is holding a Vacation Bible School, "Courageous Kids Stepping Out for Jesus," for ages 6 to 13. Each day, from Monday, July 25 to Friday, July 29, from 8:45 a.m. to noon, the Courageous Kids will go back in time to a Biblical site – Queen Esther's Palace, the Lion's Den with Daniel, the Nile River with Miriam and Moses, to the battlefield of David and Goliath, and the temple of King Josiah. It's a week filled with bible stories and skits, songs, crafts and games, only $15 per child, at the church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford. Please pre-register by calling 905-775-7268.

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Teddy Bears Picnic

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Benjamin wears his Teddy Bear hat, at the Ontario Early Years Centre's Teddy Bears' Picnic in Bradford, Ont. on Friday June 10, 2016.

"If you go into the woods today, you're in for a big surprise... today's the day the teddy bears have their picnic."

The Ontario Early Years Centre, Bradford Satellite held its annual Teddy Bears' Picnic, June 10 – with face-painting and crafts indoors, and outdoor activities that included bubble-blowing and parachute games. Preschoolers were invited to bring their favourite teddy bear or other stuffed animal to enjoy a morning of fun, and snacks that included watermelon, oranges, and Teddy Bear Grahams. The Ontario Early Years Centre is located in the BWG Child & Family Services Building, at 118 Barrie St. in Bradford. The Centre provides parenting resources, and age-appropriate toys, books and activities for pre-schoolers (ages 0-6).

The Centre is now closed for the summer months, reopening in September. Over the Summer, The Breastfeeding Place Program will remain open. The Next Step Program will also be open during the summer, except for July 26 and August 2. For more information call 905-775-3039, ext. 229.

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Vladimir Soloviev, at the Bradford Centre for the Arts

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Pianist Vladimir Soloviev will be coming to Bradford on July 23.

MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

About two dozen artists, musicians, dramatists, a videographer and church members attended a special open house at Bradford United Church, 66 Barrie St. in Bradford, early in June.

They were there to tour the church, built in 1865; help reimagine the sanctuary and 450 sq. ft. church hall as a potential "Bradford Centre for the Arts" - and propose a series of cultural events that could use the church building to its fullest.

The first proposed event will be "Beer and Bach" - a "lecture-recital" featuring pianist Vladimir Soloviev and flautist Catherine Willshire, discussing the meaning of Bach and Classical music in a community setting, with a cash bar. The lecture-recital will take place at the church on Saturday, July 23 at 7 p.m., and tickets are only $10.

It is Rev. Jim Keenan who has led tbe initiative to increase the use of the church, as a performance centre. The sanctuary, with its curved wooden pews and old plaster, offers "superb" acoustics, in a space that can seat 200 people, he said.

"We want to enrich the lives of residents, and provide affordable and quality practice and performance space."

Bradford United Church, while continuing to serve its congregation on Sundays, could also become "a welcoming and inclusive and accessible" space that would "increase opportunities for artists and audiences. The Bradford Centre for the Arts!" he said.

Musician Paul Rumbolt, also a United Cburcb minister, demonstrated the acoustical properties of the church to the group of interested artists. Unamplified, a whisper could be heard from the gallery; Rumbolt's voice and guitar filled the space.

"People spend millions of dollars trying to create this sound. It's a real treasure. It's the kind of thing that a lot of people would come to use," Rumbolt said. "It's like being inside an instrument - a fine cello."

Even the parish hall, home of teas and church suppers, was seen as an ideal location for spoken word, open mic and workshop activities - intimate without being cramped, with good acoustics.

MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

Facilitator Michele McCarthy, right, leads discussion at Bradford United Church, regarding a new Bradford Centre for the Arts on June 8.

Music lovers can hear for themselves on July 23. Tickets for Beer and Bach are available at Nancy's Nifty Nook, Evans DeVries Higgins, or contact 905-751-5335 or *revkeenan@gmail.com*.

Vladimir Soloviev completed his undergrad degree at Western University, where he twice won the Pattison Competition, and took second place in the London Music Scholarship Foundation competition. He completed a Master's degree at Eastman Scbool of Music in Rochester, NY, and has since moved back to Toronto, wbere he has made classical music his mission.

With a versatile repertoire, stretching from Johann Sebastian Bach to contemporary composers, he is active as a soloist, chamber musician and educator.

Catherine Willshire took a B.A. in Music from Western University, and the University of Strassbourg in France, and a Masters in Musicology from York University and the Université Paris-Sorbonne, where she was First Flute with the Orchestre Symphonique interuniversitaire de Paris.

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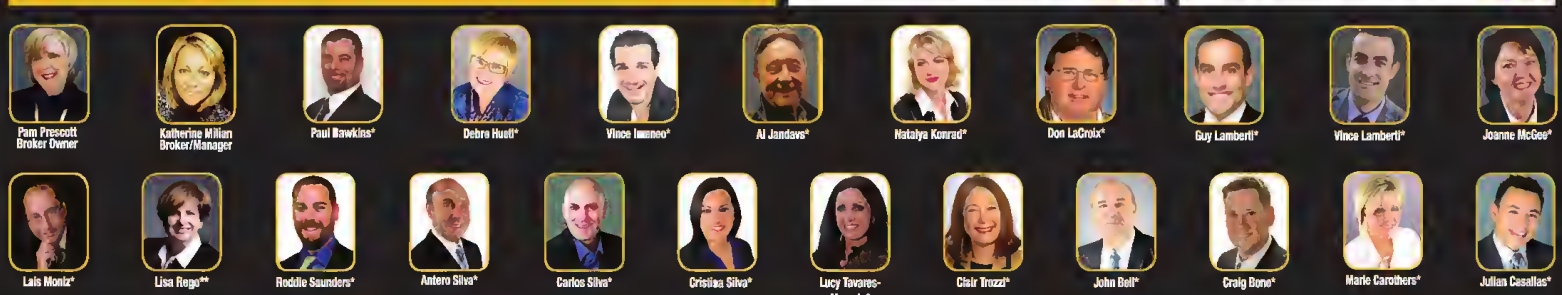

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Cho's Martial Arts students with trophies won in Richmond Hill.

Congratulations to Cho's Martial Arts

Bradford — Students with Cho's Martial Arts and Tae Kwon Do participated in a tournament on June 11, in Richmond Hill.

There were approximately 150 competitors, and the Bradford Martial Arts school sent seven students – all of whom placed in the Top 3 in their age classes, with several firsts.

In Poomsae (Patterns), 8-year-old Li Yang Yin placed first, 10-year-old Aiden Hadad placed first, 7-year-old Justin Holak placed first, 13-year-old Lenaya Foster placed second, 13-year-old Nicole Muirhead, third.

In Sparring, Firsts went to Li Yang Yin, Aiden Hadad, Lenaya Foster, and Victoria Muirhead (9 years old). Second place went to Nicole Muirhead and Justin Holak; Third to Alyssa Hanlon (8 years old).

Congratulations to the students of Grandmaster Cho, and Cho's Martial Arts and Tae Kwon Do, located at 15 Barrie St. For more information, email *chosmartialart@gmail.com* or 905-775-2929.

Portugal Euro Cup Champions

MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

Portugal fans show their joy over the 1-0 Euro Cup Final win over France, taking to the streets in Bradford on July 10. The honking started in Bradford seconds after Portugal was declared the winner over France, in the Euro Cup final on Sunday. And within seconds, South Simcoe Police were in position with their cruisers, closing off a section of Holland St., and redirecting traffic in anticipation of the street celebration by Portugal fans. Having learned from the reaction to Portugal's previous wins, police diverted traffic at Church St., and at Dissette, essentially closing down the downtown core as hundreds of fans took to the streets, waving Portuguese flags and cheering. Portugal fought its way to the 1-0 victory, without star Cristiano Ronaldo – who was taken off with an injury, 24 minutes into the final. The game took 120 plus 2 minutes to decide, with Eder scoring for Portugal, at the 109 minute mark.

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TBALL DIVISION

June 29, Kidergy vs. Elliot's Towing. Brennon led the team with a double to centre field, Conor provided great pitching and was quick to field grounders and chase down runners, Madison had an impressive pickup at Third Base for Kidergy.

June 30, MFC Landscape Contracting vs. Roddie Saunders Century 21. Luca sent the ball flying, Tyler C. had 2 second base hits, and Will K. showed awesome fielding for MFC. Great outing.

June 30, Ryan's Landscaping vs. Royalty Stone Inc. Despite playing with only 5 players, Royalty Stone put on a great show - with special mention to Ethan M. who scored 7 runs, great hits from Josie P., Dylan K. and Chase P., and super plays from pitcher Angelo F.

ATOM DIVISION

June 28, Zoom Security Systems – 18, Robin Evans Real Estate – 4. Robin Evans' side showed resilience against the No. 1 team in the League, with strong hitting from Fisher P. who was 2 for 2, and Eli C., who pounded a hard grounder up the middle for a double. Sbort stop Jevin M. caught a grounder and threw to Thomas B. for the out.

June 28, Robert W. Ratusny Law – 8, Carron Farms Ltd. - 4. Robert Ratusny Law had an excellent game, Vincent did a great job at 2nd with all 3 outs, Ali got a line drive down 3rd and did a great job as back catcher, and Caleb had 2 hits!

June 28, Vin Bon – 19, Back Alley Cruisers – 10. Cruisers had a great out at 3rd from AJ H., and a nice out at 2nd from Michael M., who also had 2 solid hits.

MITE DIVISION

June 27, Bellamy Sports – 16, Roy Gordon Law – 15. Bellamy Sports had huge hits from Justin M. and Max G., and a great play at home plate by Max G. and Riley D., for an out.

SQUIRT DIVISION

June 30, C.G. Technologies – 15, Robert W. Ratusny Law – 6. C. G. Technologies had the win despite a small team. Keegan P. was 4 for 4, with a great inning-ending catch at 2nd; Alex S. was 4 for 4 and pitched 2 innings without allowing a run; Hannah S. went 4 for 4, with great defensive plays at 3rd Base to keep runners from advancing.

PEEWEE DIVISION

June 28, Universal Mobile – 14, Pit Haulage – 9. Universal Mobile had awesome pitching and fielding from Kaitlyn, and from Tyler C., who made a double play by catching a line drive at the pitcher's mound, with a heads-up throw to 1st Base. Matthew also had great pitching, with 2 strike-outs. Adam and James combined for a key out at 2nd Base, and Adam's base-stealing ended the inning at the maximum of 5 runs. Great plays from catcher Darcy M.; great patience by James, Sarah M., Adam and Meagan M. who took walks to get on base; great base-stealing by Dawson, who got an RBI and stole home.

June 29, State Farm Insurance – 15, MCO Orthodontics – 9, in Stouffville. State Farm had solid plays from Paige M. who had a walk, 4 stolen bases and 2 runs scored. Ryan G. reached base twice, stole a total of 6 bases and scored twice. And Brady L. pitcbed 2 solid innings, including a shutout 2nd, scored a run, and a sacrifice RBI in the 3rd.

Community Listings

THURS., JULY 14

MOVIES UNDER THE STARS: Outdoors at the Bradford Public Library, at dusk - Zootopia. Free, but bring your own lawn chair, blanket, snacks.

FRI., JULY 15

BBT BARBECUE: The annual Appreciation BBQ of the Bradford Board of Trade takes place from noon to 2 p.m. at the Millennium Clock Tower, 61 Holland St. East. Free! Enjoy a BBQ from St.Louis Bar & Grill, treats from Smoochies Cakery and Smoothies from Mr. Sub/CountryStyle, and meet members of the BBT.

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TUES., JULY 19

ALZHEIMER SUPPORT GROUP MEETS: At CHATS (Community & Home Assistance To Seniors), 448 Holland St. West in Bradford, at 10 a.m. Family and Friends caring for persons with Alzheimer's or related dementias will share education and coping strategies, challenges and successes in a safe space. For info, 705-722-1066.

WEDS., JULY 20

FRESH AIR FLICKS: Innisfil ideaLAB & Library presents a free screening of Meet the Robinsons, at Innisfil Beach Park at dusk. Bring your own lawn chair, blankets and snacks. Entertainment begins at 7 p.m., with performances by The Fitzees, and an Open Mic. Rain date July 21.

THURS., JULY 21

MUSIC IN THE PARK: On the grassy area outside the Bradford Public Library, 425 Holland St. West. Youth performers from the York-Simcoe Youth Music Festival at 6:30 p.m.; headliner The Rattles (a Beatles tribute band) at 7:30 p.m. Bring a lawn chair or blanket. Weather permitting; no rain date.

FRI., JULY 22

BRADFORD RIBFEST: Ribfest returns to the area in front of Zehrs Market, 500 Holland St. West in Bradford, July 22-24. Five fabulous ribbers - including new entry, The Big Kahuna - plus midway, children's PlayZone, marketplace, and live entertainment, with Marshall Dane on Friday, U2 Elevation on Saturday, and a Johnny Cash Tribute on Sunday. Gates open 11 a.m. Fri., 10 a.m. Sat. and Sun. See bwgeventsgroup.org

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Scouts Bottle Drive

MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

After a severe thunderstorm, with heavy rains, high winds and hail, swept through Bradford on Friday night, First Bradford Scouts decided to cancel their planned Yard Sale at Sobeys on July 9 - but went ahead with a Bottle Drive. Setting up a tent at The Beer Store in Bradford, Scouts accepted donations of empties - and brought in bags and boxes of bottles, collected door to door. The Scouts are fundraising to attend next year's Scouting Jamboree, being held in Halifax in 2017 - Canada's Sesquicentennial year. Donations are always welcomed; contact Lloyd George at 905-778-0809.

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Paul James Band, in the park

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The Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury held its first Music in the Park event, sponsored by Vaughan Chrysler and Frank Caietta, July 7 on the grassy area outside the BWG Public Library & Cultural Centre.

About 100 people turned out for an evening of music that started with youth bands 'Standby' and 'Simply Put', before Juno award-winning rock and blues legend, The Paul James Band took to the stage.

Paul James Vigna not only played foot-tapping, soul-stirring rock 'n' roll, he invited the audience to get up and dance – pointing to the grassy lawn: "This is a dance floor!"

There are three more outdoor concerts scheduled outside the Library in Bradford, on Thursday evenings:

- July 21. **The Rattles** (a Beatles Tribute)
- August 4. **Neon Rain** (Prince tribute)
- September 1. **Hap Broderman Band**.

The music starts at 6:30 p.m., featuring young performers from the York-Simcoe Youth Music Festival. The main act will be on stage by 7:30 p.m. Bring your own lawn chair or blanket.

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Great summer evening, and great music by the Paul James Band, outdoors at the library in Bradford.

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All of BWG Council turned out for the Mayor's Golf Challenge, from left, Councillor Peter Ferragine, Mayor Rob Keffer, Deputy Mayor James Leduc, and Councillors Gary Lamb, Mark Contois, Ron Orr, Gary Baynes, Peter Dykie Jr. and Raj Sandhu.

Golfing with the mayor

BRADFORD TIMES STAFF

The Mayor's Golf Challenge attracted 144-plus golfers to The Highlands Golf Club in Bradford, July 7, for a day of community fundraising, under sunny skies. The proceeds of ticket sales, sponsorships, auction and raffles were earmarked for Bradford West Gwillimbury's Community Grants program, to help local individuals, events and organizations build a better community.

It was truly a grassroots event, say the organizers, with golfers being served home-made gingersnaps, and handed gift bags that included a unique collector's item: a limited-edition, hand-crafted pewter ornament depicting the Old Bradford Town Hall (now the Treasury Building) at 61 Holland St. East.

Winning foursome was the Paul Sadlon Motors team of Paul Sadlon Jr., Doug Harris, Owen Ferguson and Gary Lyte. Longest Putt winner, on Hole 18, was Tony DiPede, of North Rock Construction. There were no "hole-in-one" winners.

The event raised an estimated $30,000.

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GABOURY, Mary E. (nee. Hester) passed away peacefully in the company of family at Southlake Regional Health Centre in Newmarket, on Monday July 4th, 2016. She was in her 68th year.
Mary, born in Syracuse, NY, lived in Baldwinsville, NY, California, Utah, and Montreal, QC, before finally settling in Bradford, ON. She was a kind and generous person who loved life. She showed her love of others through her actions, whether it was by following a friend's blog, teaching kindness for the sake of kindness, encouraging others to be the nerds they are, sharing an interesting article, cooking a good meal, or carving a face into en apple to make it special. Mary's final message to her American family and friends was, "Don't vote Trump." She will be missed.
Daughter of the late Donald Hester and Thelma E. Hester, Mary is survived by her beloved husband, Brian; daughters Hester and Ayr; grandchildren Zachary, Patrick, Elizabeth and Bridget; brother Robert (Kikie); and nephew Jimmy.
A Celebration of life will be held at the Roadhouse & Rose Funeral Home, 157 Main St. S., Newmarket on Saturday August 20th from 1-3 p.m.
The family would like to thank Southlake Regional Health Centre for the incredible care they provided throughout Mary's battle with pancreatic cancer and at the end of her life.
In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Stronach Regional Cancer Centre or the palliative care ward of Southlake Regional Health Centre online at www.roadhouseandrose.com.

SLYKHUIS, John - Passed away suddenly on Wednesday, July 6, 2016. John Slykhuis of Georgina at 66 years of age. Loving father of Erynn and Damien. Cherished son of Mary and late John Sr. Dear brother of Reneka (Ross) Ferreri, Peggy (Rob) Greenhalgh, Trish (Ron) Bootsma, Martin (Jenny) Slykhuis, Ron (Karen) Slykhuis and late Jeff Slykhuis. Predeceased by his darling wife Jill. John will also be fondly remembered by the Daley family, his many nieces, nephews, friends, colleagues and loved ones. A celebration of John's life will be held at **SKWARCHUK FUNERAL HOME**, 30 Simcoe Rd., Bradford on Saturday, July 16, 2016 from 2-4 p.m. In John's memory, donations may be mede to the Stronach Regional Cancer Centre at Southlake Regional Health Centre or the Georgina Food Pantry.

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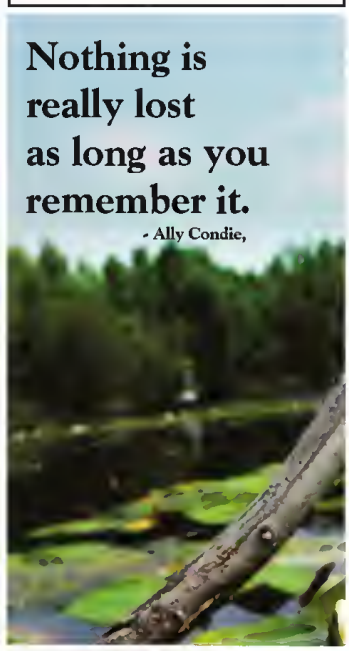

Running for a cure

MIRIAM KING
Bradford Times

Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA) is the number one genetic killer of children under the age of 2 – regardless of gender or race. SMA causes the muscles to atrophy, affecting the ability to stand, walk, and eventually swallow, and breathe.

One in 40 persons carries the gene responsible; 1 in 6,000 children are born with the condition; an estimated 13,000 children will die of SMA this year.

And there is no cure – yet.

For the past 15 years, the Families of SMA Canada Society has been raising funds for research into the genetics, and possible cure, of SMA – holding the annual Rebecca Run for SMA, sponsored by ESSO, at Fairy Lake Park in Newmarket.

The run, and an Angel Gala, have raised over $2.5 million for research, but families are still waiting to hear of the breakthrough that will give new hope to children struggling with the degenerative disease.

The Rebecca Run is named for Rebecca Grace Van Fraassen, diagnosed with SMA, and the first honouree of the run. Now 16 and in Grade 11, Rebecca is pursuing her love of the arts, and overcoming her challenges.

Almost every year since that first run in 2002, the Rebecca Run has chosen another child with SMA to be its face. In 2004, the honouree was Natalie McDonald, now 16. In 2005, the race honoured Jamie Haapalainen and Abigail Lynn Lobach, "best friends in heaven," who both lived just over four months.

Hayden MacIntyre, now 16 and interested in computer engineering and science, was honoured in 2006 – and continues to attend the Run each year, accompanied by his team, Hayden's Heroes.

In 2007, the honouree was Sonja Natalia Stefanovic, who lived one day. In 2008, it was Max Vallender, who lived a month and a half.

SMA varies in severity. The most severe form, Werdnig-Hoffman Disease, often develops in the womb, and is associated with a shortened lifespan. In other forms, the onset of symptoms may be more gradual, and less catastrophic.

For the 15th anniversary Rebecca Run, a record 450 participants signed up for the 5K timed Run or Walk, 3K Walk/Run or Stroll, and the 1K Kids' Fun Run. Many ran as part of a team, accompanying an SMA child in a motorized wheelchair – or running in a child's memory.

Emersyn's Entourage, in memory of 2010 honouree Emersyn Paige Klomp, who died at the age of 7 months. Team Stella, running for 2012 honouree Stella Adele Bartlett, now 6 years old. Butterflies for Chloe. Quinten's Crew. Abby's Legacy. Sonja's Striders. Marley's Crew, walking for Marley Ann Guay who died at the age of 3 months, 18 days and was the 2011 Rebecca Run honouree. The A-Team, running for 4-year-old Asha Buliung, 2015 honouree.

Jose Carvalho, first across the finish line in the 5K Run.

MIRIAM KING/BRADFORD TIMES

Reading about the Honourees.

Determined! Taking the lead in the Kids' Fun Run at Fairy Lake Park.

There's a strong Bradford connection. In 2009, Sylvain-Nicholas Le Vasseur was chosen as the honouree. The 9 year old, who loved BMX riding, soccer, football and swimming, was diagnosed with SMA, and immediately began fundraising for a cure, and working to make residents of his town more aware of the disease. He was presented with the Bradford West Gwillimbury Civic Award for Youth of the Year, for his efforts – and for several years attended the run, which fell on his birthday.

Bradford Runner Jose Carvalho has attended every 5K race since the run began. This year, he was accompanied by his brother Fernando, and the Carvalhos finished first and second in the 5K.

Instead of a single honouree, the 2016 Rebecca Run was a salute to all of the past honourees, whose images and stories were posted on a Wall of Honour. The words on one T-shirt summed it up: "Hope. Fight. Cure. Never give up."

Jack, who has SMA, and members of Team Jack's Journey warm up for the Kids' Fun Run.

Ready for reading, this summer

BRADFORD TIMES STAFF

Kids lined up to sign up, at the Bradford Public Library & Cultural Centre on June 25. It was the launch of the TD Summer Reading Club – a club for kids, that fills the summer months with reading adventures, activities, contests and prizes, this year on a jungle theme.

Once the young readers signed up, picking up their reading club workbook and stickers, they were invited to create crafts, including Peacock fans, paper snakes and giraffe masks; go on a scavenger hunt; and of course, browse for books to take home and read.

Coming up at the Library:

Sing and Play with Russ, for ages 1-5. Interactive concerts with children's entertainer Russ Clayton, every Weds. to August 17, at 10 a.m. and at 10:45 a.m. Drop in - tickets are $3.

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Families lined up at the Bradford Public Library, to sign their kids up for the TD Summer Reading Club.

Run for BWG

The Run for Bradford (BWG) organized by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat will be returning to Bradford on Sunday, July 31 – a fundraiser for recreation, culture, heritage and family health services in the community. This year, the run will start and finish at the grassy parkette between the BWG Leisure Centre and BWG Public Library and Cultural Centre. There will be a 3K Run, and 1K Walk, with registration beginning at 7:30 a.m., the run/walk beginning at 8 a.m., and ceremony at 9 a.m. Please pre-register online at *www.runforbwg.ca* or call 1-844-RUN-4-BWG. A fun run/walk, to benefit the community.

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